

926 Grand Ave

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My dear Mr Watson,

My present impression
regarding Mr Spockley's letter
is that it shows our pretensions
& conduct concealed under a
pious disguise - but I would
not like to say so far as
I intend very soon to give
all our conduct a thorough
examination and then
perhaps I may know more
than I do now - perhaps not

I inclose a copy of my
study of the subject

The leaves are not quite
 entire. The lower (seen with a
 magnifier) are serrated, glandular
 dentate - after the style as it
 were of *P. longifolia*: then appearing
 later both as if they might
 develop a margin serrate-
 dentate or even, serrate.

If your correspondent is
 collecting at a permanent
 station I would like very much
 to see the leaves of later date.
 If getting the specimens would be
 likely to tax him unnecessarily,
 no objection is.

The original ticket I retain
 accompanies the specimens you
 sent me - Is it your only one.

If so I will return it but as
 I can make no suggestion of the
 kind "self the wandering balance
 shakes" in other directions.

Respectfully
 Yours cordially
 J. L. Roth

